IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED

APPLICANT:

Timothy J. Cooney et al.

EXAMINER:

Charles, D. CENTRAL FAX CENTER

SERIAL NO .:

09/832,603

GROUP ART UNIT:

3628

MAR 0 9 2004

FILED:

April 11, 2001

ATTY DKT NO .:

D5045

TITLE:

OUGHTA COST PURCHASING PROCESS

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION UNDER M.P.E,P. §512

I hereby certify that this 15-page Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111, plus a Petition for a 1-month Extension of Time, for a total of 16 pages are being sent via facsimile to the United States patent and Trademark Office on March 9, 2004 to 703-872-9306.

Date: March 9, 2004

Sending Facsimile: (630) 753-3982

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 10, 2003 in the above captioned matter, please enter the following amendment and response: